

REMARKS

This is a full and timely response to the outstanding non-final Office Action mailed January 30, 2007. Applicant appreciates the Examiner's recommendations and has amended claims accordingly, making all pending claims allowable as indicated by the Examiner in the Allowable Subject Matter section of the Office Action. Reconsideration and allowance of the application and pending claims are therefore respectfully requested.

I. Claim Objections

Claims 2 and 16-17 are objected to based on informalities. Accordingly, Applicant has amended claim 2, changing "one of more" to - one or more - , as suggested by the Examiner. Applicant has also amended claim 16, changing "determined" to - determine - , as suggested by the Examiner. Claims 2 and 16 should therefore be allowable. As claim 17 was objected to as depending from claim 16, claim 17 should now also be allowable.

II. Claim Rejections – 35 USC § 112

Claims 28-39 are rejected under 35 USC 112, second paragraph, as being indefinite for failing to particularly point out and distinctly claim the subject matter which applicant regards as the invention.

Applicant has amended claim 28 as indicated above to clarify the limitation of "means for making input", such that claim 28 now recites, "user interface means for entering input data". Accordingly, claim 28 is now allowable.

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Claims 29-38 depend from claim 28 and are rejected indirectly based on rejected base claim 28. As claim 28 is now allowable, so to are claims 29-38 allowable.

Claim 39 is rejected under 35 USC 112, second paragraph, as it recites the limitations of "input; and look up" which render the claim vague and indefinite. Accordingly, Applicant has amended claim 39 to recite, "receiving input data through the input mechanism; and looking up the identified said objects", which clarifies claim 39. Therefore, claim 39 is now allowable.

III. Allowable Subject Matter

Claims 1, 3-15, 18-27 and 40-47 are expressly allowed. Applicant appreciates the allowance of these claims.

Claims 2 and 16-17 would be allowable if rewritten to overcome the minor objections set forth in the Office Action. As noted above, claims 2 and 16 have been amended to overcome the objections and are therefore allowable. Claim 17 is therefore also allowable as no longer depending from an objected to claim.

Claims 28-39 would be allowable if rewritten to overcome the rejections under 35 USC 112, 2nd paragraph. As noted above, claim 28 has been amended to overcome the rejection and is therefore allowable. Claims 29-39 are therefore also allowable as the rejection of these claims was based on their dependence from rejected claim 28.

Accordingly, all claims 1-47 are now in condition for allowance.

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CONCLUSION

Applicant respectfully submits that Applicant's pending claims are in condition for allowance. Favorable reconsideration and allowance of the present application and all pending claims are hereby courteously requested. If, in the opinion of the Examiner, a telephonic conference would expedite the examination of this matter, the Examiner is invited to call the undersigned attorney at (208) 396-5287.

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